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**REPLY AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2006, the deadline for response to which is extended to February 23, 2007, by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, the Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks.

The Applicants do not believe that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. If additional extensions of time are necessary, however, to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.